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Dear Families of Year Four

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and children are ready to start the new year.

Below is some information about this half term in Year 4 but please keep checking the school website for news and information. If you have any questions or queries get in touch on the Y4 email year4@stmarys916.herts.sch.uk

Staffing

Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Mrs Tavender	Mrs Tavender
Tuesday	Mrs Tavender	Mrs Tavender
Wednesday	Mrs Tavender	Miss Gill
Thursday	Mrs Tavender	Mrs Tavender
Friday	Mrs Christie	Mrs Christie

PE KITS

Year 4 will continue to have swimming on Mondays and timetabled P.E. on Wednesdays but days for PE may change so children will need both indoor and outdoor PE kits (including trainers) in school at all times. The weather is also much colder so please make sure the children have tracksuits or joggers and PE sweatshirts. They will be going outside in all weathers as much as they can. Please also make sure the children have a coat and hat or hood on Mondays as the walk back from swimming with wet hair is chilly! Please also make sure that children have a swimming hat and goggles on their bag on a Monday.

HOMEWORK

All Homework is set on a Thursday via Google Classroom and is due in on a Tuesday. Children should all have a Homework book to complete their Homework in. Please check what your child has done for Homework and encourage good presentation including spelling and handwriting.





Children also bring home their Blast Off (times tables) sheets for you to see. They should be practising times tables all the time! There are blank Blast off sheets on GC that children can use to practise and there is always Sumdog and Purple Mash.

Year 4 children all have a Reading Bookmark which they should be bringing to and from school each day with their reading book. Please continue to hear your child read at home and read *to* them to model good reading. Even if you only have a short time available, this is really valuable. Children should all have a reading book which they are reading at school but they are of course free to read other texts that you have at home. We are reading other books and extracts at school during guided reading sessions so their free choice book is purely their 'reading for pleasure' book. Every time they finish their book they can bring it back and show me their bookmark before choosing another to read. Please encourage your child to record their reading **every time they read** on their bookmark. These will be looked at regularly to check what they are reading.

CLASS TRIPS

We have a class trip planned to the Krishna Hindu Temple on January 30th and you have hopefully all received the letter with details of this exciting trip. Year 4 are of course also looking forward to their Residential Trip to Woodrow later in the year.

CONTACTING US

If you have any questions or queries about your child or Y4 please contact me via the Year 4 email - year4@stmarys916.herts.sch.uk . I check the emails every day so you can also send me any notes about different pick up arrangements etc. (Alternatively you can send messages via the school office - email or phone call)

Many thanks
Mrs L Tavender

